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Rea Road (SR 1316) Extension from Providence Road (NC 16) to Indian Trail-Waxhaw Road (SR 1008) Union County

Project Description

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) proposes to extend Rea Road (SR 1316) from Providence Road (NC 16) east to Weddington Road (NC 84) on a new location, and then widen existing Weddington Road (NC 84) to Indian Trail-Waxhaw Road (SR 1008) in Weddington. The project is approximately 3.8 miles long.

The NCDOT is conducting an environmental study of the proposed project, which is included in the draft *2013- 2023 NCDOT State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)* as project number U-3467.



Citizens Informational Workshop

Tuesday, June 25
4:00 -7:00 pm
Weddington Middle School Gymnasium
5903 Deal Road
Matthews, NC 28104

The NCDOT is conducting a Citizens Informational Workshop for this project on **Tuesday, June 25, 2013**. Interested citizens may attend at any time between **4:00 and 7:00 pm**. This is an open-house format; there will not be a formal presentation.

The purpose of the meeting is to present information on the project's study area and preliminary alternatives, and to receive public input on the project. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and listen to comments regarding the project. Citizens will also have the opportunity to submit comments and questions in writing. In addition to speaking with someone at the workshop, a comment form will be available. You may complete the form and submit your comments at the meeting or mail it to the contact listed on the form.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Jamille Robbins, NCDOT Public Involvement Group Leader, as early as possible so arrangements can be made. Mr. Robbins may be contacted at (919) 707-6085, or via email at jarobbins@ncdot.gov.

Interpretive services will be available at the workshop for persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English. For more information concerning these services, please call 1-800-481-6494.

Project Purpose and Need

The proposed transportation improvements are needed to improve the mobility and connectivity of Weddington Road in the project study area.

- The proposed project is included in the Western Union County Local Area Regional Transportation Plan [NC 84 Relocation (Rea Road Extension)] as the No. 1 High Priority Recommended Thoroughfare Plan project.
- Traffic volumes in 2035 are expected to exceed the capacity of Weddington Road in the project area.
- As a major connection between southwestern Union County, southeastern Mecklenburg County and the City of Charlotte, Weddington Road already experiences high traffic volumes.

The proposed project would provide:

- A more direct link between western Union County and Charlotte/Mecklenburg County;
- An alternate route to I-485 and Charlotte, enhancing regional travel options;
- Additional capacity on Weddington Road in the project area; and
- Improvements that are expected to enhance the safety of the roadway.

Preliminary Alternatives Description

NCDOT has developed the following preliminary project alternatives:

Alternative A (New Location and Improve Existing): This alternative would extend Rea Road (SR1316) from Providence Road (NC 16) east to Weddington Road (NC 84) on new location [Relocate NC 84], and then widen Weddington Road (NC 84) to Indian Trail-Waxhaw Road (SR 1008).

Alternative B (Improve Existing): This alternative would widen Weddington Road (NC 84) from Providence Road (NC 16) to Indian Trail-Waxhaw Road (SR 1008).

As more information becomes available through data collection, field studies and public input, these preliminary alternatives may be modified and new alternatives may be added. The proposed project is expected to be a boulevard-type facility with a limited number of driveways and intersections to help increase traffic flow. The current preliminary alternatives include a four-lane divided roadway with 12-foot inside travel lanes, 14-foot outside lanes (to accommodate bicycles), a 23-foot raised median, curb and gutter, and 10-foot berms. The possible inclusion of sidewalks as part of the proposed project will be coordinated with the local jurisdictions. The anticipated posted speed limit is 45 miles per hour.

Project Vicinity
Map with Study
Area and
Preliminary
Alternatives

